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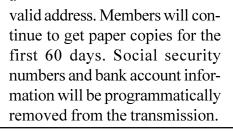
All branches to get electronic service

Navy pay statements available on e-mail

Navy people can now get their Net Pay Advice statements on e-mail.

The Defense Joint Military Pay System is starting a new program to send NPA and Leave and Earning Statements to military members on their personal or office e-mail. Navy members in the Washington D.C. area can volunteer for the electronic statements now before the program goes into effect across the services.

To sign up, the member needs an e-mail provider and access to a personal computer at home or at the office. DJMPS
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Special, dual service of hard copy and e-mail will be available for delivery to the member at a remote location and the spouse or family at another location. The member can return to hard-copy

service at any time.

Internet: http://www.dtic.mil/jcs/

More than 100 Navy people on the Joint Staff have already signed up. For more information, call Chief Petty Officer James Harrell at 614-9325.

On the cover

Members of H Company, Guns Platoon, 3rd U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard) fire a 19-gun salute during a Joint Service Full Honors arrival Monday on the upper parade field at the Pentagon River Entrance for Lt. Gen. Ali Mohammed Al-Mumin, Chief of General Staff, Kuwait Armed Forces.. Army Gen. Henry H. Shelton, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff presented Al-Mumin with the Legion of Merit Degree of Commander. The decoration recognized Al-Mumin's contributions to transitioning the Kuwaiti military into a recruited professional service, regional stability and expansion of a bilateral cooperation program with the United States. Photo by Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Mamie Burke.

Army's 224-year history showcased

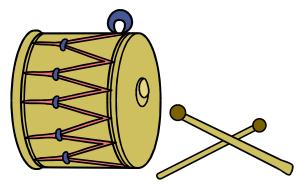
Twilight Tattoo continues through summer, free to public

The Army's Twilight Tattoo program continues at 7 p.m. on Wednesday throughout the spring and summer on the Ellipse, located between the White House and the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C.

The colorful military sunset parade is free. No tickets are required.

The Wednesday event is a no-host event. The May 26 event performance will be hosted by Army Maj. Gen. John G. Meyer, Chief of Public Affairs, with special guest Walter Cronkite.

Twilight Tattoo is an hour-long ceremony sponsored by the U.S. Army Military District of Washington, which traces the Army's rich 224-year history from the Revolutionary War to today's Bosnian peacekeeping mission. The performance features specialty units from the 3rd U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard) and the U.S. Army Band, "Pershing's Own."



Highlights of the performance include: patriotic selections from the U.S. Army Chorale; the distinct sounds of The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps' authentic wooden fifes, handmade drums and brass bugles, and the precision of the high-flying, bayonet-tipped ruffles of the U.S. Army Drill Team.

A tattoo is a military tradition traced from the early 17th century.

For video clips of the performing units, visit the Website at www.mdw.army.mil



Savings Bond drive ends Friday

The Joint Staff Savings Bond campaign ends Friday. Anyone interested in Savings Bond information or to sign up for a payroll deduction should contact their section representative listed below.

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J-2	TSgt Michael Cross	697-1499
J-3	SMSgt William Hunt	695-0581
J-4	PO3 Gregory Hahn	697-1018
J-5	Sgt Juan Biddix	697-6187
J-6	Maj. Mark Davis	695-0314
J-7	PO1 Felicia Rollins	695-7920
J-8	Col. Fred Sadrak	695-1747

Court ruling

Air Force memorial gets green light

After two years of skirmishes, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit ruled May 10 in favor of the Air Force Memorial Foundation -- giving the green light for a memorial.

The ruling marks the second time a federal court has dismissed a suit aimed at stopping construction of the memorial on Arlington Ridge, north of the Arlington National Cemetery.

"Today's decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals marks the end of the controversy over the Air Force Memorial," said Chuck Link, Air Force Memorial Foundation.

"Our Air Force Memorial has now been approved by an act of Congress, by four different government agencies and has twice won judgments in federal courts," he said. "It is time to move forward and allow the Air Force Memorial to join those honoring the other branches of the military in our nation's capital."

The Air Force is the only major branch of the armed services without a memorial site in Washington, D.C.

In it's ruling, the Court of Appeals ruled that the U.S.



A depiction of the Air Force Memorial

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District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia decided properly in favor of the foundation and the federal approval agencies in June.

The District Court had summarily dismissed the initial suit. It found that the Air Force Memorial Foundation and the U.S. Government had complied with the provisions of the Administrative Approval Act and Commemorative Works Act in approving the memorial site.

"Today's decision didn't come as a surprise," said Joe Coors Jr., chairman of the Air Force Memorial Foundation's board of trustees.

"The National Park Service had long envisioned a memorial on the two-acre site selected for the Air Force Memorial. As the memorial takes shape on Arlington Ridge, I am confident that everyone will see how the design blends with and complements the two existing monuments on the site."

Arlington Ridge consists of 25 acres. The Iwo Jima Memorial occupies eight acres, and the Netherlands Carillon occupies three. A full 12 acres of open space will surround the three structures. (Courtesy Air Force Print News)

Memorial features 5-pointed USAF star, 3-dimensional form

The Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital Planning Commission have both unanimously approved the proposed design for the Air Force Memorial. Designed by James Ingo Freed of New York City's Pei Cobb Freed and Partners Architects, the composition centers on the famous five-pointed Air Force star. Rich in symbolism, the Air Force star has a long tradition of gracing Air Force aircraft and missiles, and is central to the rank insignia of every enlisted member of the United States Air Force.

A three-dimensional form rising 50 feet in the air will be lightly tethered to the five points of the star. This uplifting design is open to the elements and captures the impression of sky and air. Approaching the Memorial from the west, visitors will be greeted by an honor guard of four slightly larger-than-life figures emerging from rough blocks of stone carrying American and USAF flags.

Visitors may also enter a below-ground Memorial Center that will honor the Air Force in a very solemn, respectful and thoughtful manner.

The Foundation is working with Ralph Appelbaum's architectural team of New York City to design the interior experience, which will be located beneath the Memorial. This experience attempts to capture the spirit of the Air Force while reflecting the unique marriage of operational competence and American technology that makes ours "the Aerospace Nation."

The initial concept of this experience will be contained within a cylindrically shaped volume below the Memorial. Visitors will assume "the airmen's perspective" and look down onto an aerial imagery of the Earth, rear projected onto a 45-foot diameter screen, augmented by a custom produced audio program. Punctuating the perimeter will be 24 artifacts, small in size, which give personal insight into the "Air Force experience." Adjacent to the rotunda will be an intimate space for quiet thought and reflection.

Feature

A medal in the making

Air Force officer awarded Navy **Commendation Medal**

e is quiet and unassuming when he tells you it was no big deal. They Lcalled. They needed some help and he did what he could.

As the commander of the 77th Operations Support Squadron at McClellan Air Force Base, Calif., from 1993 to 1995, the logistics support he gave to three Marine Training in Urban Environment teams over 14 months was all what he considered in a day's work.

The Marines didn't think so. They found the job Col. John L. Leech, now



working in the J-7 Joint Exercise and Training Division, so exceptional they put him in for a medal.

But Navy policy said medals can only be given to American military people assigned or attached to naval units. Subsequently Leech's package was disapproved.

That policy changed last week when Leech found himself face-to-face May 3 with Gen. Charles C. Krulak, Commandant of the

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Top, Gen. Krulak presents the NCM. Right, the Navy/Marine Commendation Medal.



Photo by TSqt Anne Proctor

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Marine Corps, receiving the Navy/Marine Commendation Medal.

The deed

In 1994, Marines from the I Marine **Expeditionary Force Special Operations** Training Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif., had been calling cities and towns in northern California to set up their TRUE training and everyone was turning them down, said Leech. They needed a place to sleep, eat, shop, and buildings where they could basically kick the doors in and do live fire "urban" training, the Mobile Ala., native said. No small order, but Mather AFB, which was 10 miles away, was closing and it had such facilities. Leech started making calls and Mather agreed to accommodate the TRUE teams; the base had an abundance of World War II buildings.

Billeting and support for the 400 Marines and 10 helicopters at three different times in the next year was a logistical challenge because of the drawdown of military bases in the Sacramento area. Even though

facilities were dwindling fast, Leech arranged for rooms at McClellan and saved the Marines more than \$60,000. He also got the Mather dining hall, normally able to feed 50 people, to open its doors to the 400 Marines - as well as the office space, phones and support equipment they needed for their two month training sessions on three different occasions.

"Anything we needed, we got," said Lt. Col. Bob Rea, Operations Officer for the TRUE teams and now OIC of the III Marine Expeditionary Force, Special Operations Training Group, Okinawa. Rea said he even asked for vacuum cleaner and doubted he'd get it, but it appeared. "The Air Force had no gain in this. There was no personal gain in it for him (Leech). But he was interested when he didn't have to be. He went beyond the norm.

That left an impression with the Marines, "We are a tough unit to deal with. Demanding," said Rea, a 25-year veteran.

The trek

Rea put together the award package and submitted it through his chain. He cited the

details and even said one MEU commander had remarked that "they had never been so well received at any military facility, including the Marine Corps."

The package made it through the first two command chops and was the returned from headquarters U.S. Marine Corps because of the existing Navy policy.

The Oakridge, Tenn., native said he took the disapproval as a personal challenge and started writing letters to the Secretary of the Navy. "It wasn't right. We give foreign officers medals and not our fellow military," he said. His correspondence asked for an exception to policy citing the benefits of recognizing Leech's contributions; benefits to morale, leadership and "continuing emphasis for jointness and interoperability within all U.S. Armed Forces."

The answer was still the same. Yet, Rea wasn't going to go quietly, "Marines don't give up." In March of 1996 while serving as an augmentee to the Inspector General team, Rea was able to get a Certificate of Commendation signed and sent to Leech. He still

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felt strongly about the NCM. "Then I mulled it over for the next year; how could I make this happen?

"Gen. Krulak had said we (Marines) could send him personal e-mail if we saw something wrong that needs to be corrected or something we can do better. I though this fit the criteria."

Rea wrote a page and a half note and his electrons got a reply: send me the package.

The rest is history. Rea's voice beams with pride from the phone in Okinawa, "I kinda felt like I got the award. It felt good to know we (Marines) let him know how much we appreciated him.

"We hardly ever work with the Air Force. But the spirit of cooperation and the joint service we got - we are going to have to rely on that as we go into the millennium."

Leech said he thinks it's incredible the award came through but maintains that his actions, "Were nothing in the overall scheme of things. We all try to help our fellow service members and our own service members. We had the time, the facilities and we certainly had the interest and enthusiasm to ensure the



Col. John Leech

Photo by TSgt Anne Proctor

warfighters got the best training environment." Humbly Leech admits, of all his decorations, the NCM means the most to him.

A message from a citizen: "Thanks"

By Senior Master Sgt. Carl Cooper

Air Education and Training Command Randolph AFB, Texas

was too tired to hit the commissary after work, so I stopped off at the grocery store to do a little shopping, hoping their crowd would be smaller. Much to my dismay it was packed. As I walked around with the basket with the funky wheel, I couldn't help but notice the looks I drew. I thought it might be the basket or maybe because I was in uniform. Whatever the case, the looks became stares, and I became increasingly uncomfortable.

I muddled through the express lane; the cashier never even shared a word with me; and I couldn't help but notice the rolling eyes and shake of the head as I nervously fumbled for my debit card. I was really feeling outside of my element navigating through the sea of civilians without another blue suit in sight. I

just wanted to get out of there or, at least, out of uniform.

s I dodged cars toward my parking space, I heard a voice from a dis tance call out, "Sir! Oh, sir!" I saw a young woman and her daughter bravely cross lanes of traffic to get to me, and for a split second I thought they had mistaken me for the police (or a bus driver). But then what she said to me hasn't left me and probably never will.

"I just wanted to thank you for all that you sacrifice in order to serve our country," she said. "We just wanted to tell you we appreciate you." Then her 3-year-old said, "Thanks for keeping us safe."

I was speechless. In two seconds my 15 years of service flashed before my eyes. I've endured places with no hot water, no heat in the winter nor coolness from the beating sun in the summer. I've shoveled snow, packed

sand bags and loaded pallets in searing heat for operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. I've been face down in the dirt more often than I care to remember and have been pushed to my physical limit often.

As a recruiter in my hometown I've had kids throw things at me, steal from me and mock me. Many counselors have disdained me, and parents cursed me. But never, never ever had anyone come up to say "Thank you" until that night outside the store.

I'm certain that lady would want me to pass on her message. We've all been through a lot — civilian and military alike. At times we feel misunderstood, at times even shunned and persecuted by the very same society we protect. But there are many out there who certainly appreciate our service.

(Courtesy Air Force On-Line News)

News briefs

Documentary shows academies

A three-hour documentary, "Inside America's Military Academies," airs May 16 from 8-11 p.m., May 17 from midnight to 3 a.m. and May 23 from 5-8 p.m. EDT on the Discovery Channel. The show will highlight the U.S. Military Academy, Naval Academy, Air Force Academy and Coast Guard Academy.

Organist offers concert

U.S. Army ceremonial organist Dr. Randall Sheets presents a concert in the Old Post Chapel on Fort Myer at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. The program includes the music of Boyce, Walond, Bach, Brahms and Pinkham, as well as original com-

positions by Sheets. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, Call (703) 696-3128.

Signal Corps celebration

The Army Activity-Military District of Washington hosts the 139th Signal Corps Anniversary celebration at 10 a.m. June 18 in the parking lot adjacent to the Fort Myer Chapel. The celebration consists of signal equipment displays from both the military and civilian section and a cake-cutting ceremony.

The purpose of the celebration is to demonstrate the relationship between the military and private sector. For more information, call (202) 685-2971 or (202) 685-2484.

AFSA holds meeting

The Air Force Sergeants Association, Chapter 102/A102 hosts its monthly membership meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Fox Den Enlisted Club, Andrews AFB. AFSA membership is open to all enlisted and former enlisted people (private through senior master sergeant) of active, reserve or guard components and the dependents. For more information, call Frank Roberts at (301) 593-6947.

Comptroller luncheon

The Mount Vernon chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers hosts its annual awards and scholarships luncheon May 20, 11:30 a.m. at the Fort Belvoir Community Club. Several awards and scholarships will be presented to area high school students. A continuing education grant will also be presented to a government employee. Cost is \$11 for members and \$12 for nonmembers. For more information, contact Helen Hays via e-mail at haynesh1@yahoo.com.Commissary closed

Toastmasters offers classes

The Five-Star Toastmasters offers classes Tuesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Room 1E801. These classes help people to communicate, and to lead and listen better. It is open to everyone. For more information, call Carl Sabath at (703) 692-8113 or Debbie Gries at (703) 692-4858.

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Photo by Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Mamie Burke

Soldier of the Quarter

Army Lt. Gen. Edward G. Anderson III, J-5 Strategic Plans and Policy Director (left), presents the Joint Achievement Medal to Spec. Kimberly A. Katjang, Administrative Assistant to the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, during a ceremony April 28 in the Flag Room. The decoration recognized Katjang's selection as the Joint Staff Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter for the first quarter of 1999.



Photo by Air Force Master Sgt. Kerry Dugue

Retirement

Rear Adm. Martin Mayer, J-8 Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment Vice Director (left), presents the Legion of Merit to Army Lt. Col. R. Michael Dowe, J-8 Support Agency Reengineering and Assessment Division, during a ceremony April 28 in the Chairman's Dining Room. His guests included his wife Kathy, and children Erin, Kara, Mike, and Melissa. Dowe served 22 years.



Photo by Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Rick Haney

Frocking

Army Maj. Gen. George F. Close, Jr., J-7 Operational Plans and Interoperability Director, "frocked" Marine Lt. Col. Tom Tyrell, J-7 Joint Doctrine Division, to the rank of colonel during a ceremony May 3. Tyrell's wife Deborah (right), and mother Delma, helped pin on the rank. His guests included his children Jonathan, Kenneth, and Laura; parents Tom and Delma; uncle Jerry Tyrell; and Gunnery Sgt. Hector Stoll.



Courtesy photo

Promotion

Rear Adm. Thomas R. Wilson, J-2 Intelligence Director (left), promotes Air Force Capt. Hosea R. Wearing, J-2 Eurasia Branch, to the rank of major April 30 during a ceremony in the Flag Room. Wearing's wife Cheryl. and mother Frances, helped pin on the rank. His guests included sister, Wanda, her husband Lucius Todd, and cousins Barabara Hall and Mary Jordan.



Courtesy photo

Promotion

Air Force Brig. Gen. Carol Elliot, J-2 Intelligence Vice Director (left), promotes Army Maj. Halima Tiffany, J-2 Intelligence Division, to the rank of lieutenant colonel during a ceremony April 30 in the Flag Room. Her uncle Lee Hanson helped pin on the rank. Her guests included her mother Mary Mohidin, aunt Eunice Hanson, sister Mumtaz, brother-in-law Shabeer Dar, and son Alex Stylos.



Photo by Army Sgt. Juan Biddix

Promotion, award ceremony

Army Brig. Gen. Eddie Cain, Joint Program Manager for Biological Defense, (left), presents the Joint Service Commendation Medal to Army Maj. Patrick J. Sharon, J-5 Nuclear and Counterproliferation Division, during a ceremony April 30 in the Flag Room for Sharon's promotion to lieutenant colonel. Sharon's guests included his wife Michele; children; parents Denny and Shirley; sister Susan; brother Michael; and Army Maj. Gen. (Ret). Will Roosma and his wife.



Photo by Air Force Master Sgt. Eric M. Harrell

End-of-tour award

Marine Col. Michele Manning, Secretary of the Joint Staff (left), presents the Joint Service Commendation Medal to Army Staff Sgt. Steven J. Stanfill, Administrative Noncommissioned Officer, SJS Administrative Support Branch, during an end-of-tour ceremony May 7 in the Flag Room. Stanfill moves onto the White House Military Office as the Assistant Ceremonies Coordinator.



Photo by Donna Williamson

End-of-tour award

Army Brig. Gen. Thomas F. Metz, J-8 Deputy Director for Joint Warfighting Capability Assessment (left), presents the Defense Meritorious Service Medal to Air Force Lt. Col. John "Irish" Setter, J-8 Forces Division, during an end-of-tour ceremony May 7. Setter's guests included his wife Sheryl, and children Sarah and Andrew.

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45 yard line behind the Redskins bench. Tickets are face value. Parking ticket is \$10. Call (703) 780-4364.

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.....J-Spotlight.....



Photo by PO3 Greg Hahn

Name: Army Lt. Col. Robert Thompson

Organization: J-4 Medical Readiness Division

Duty title: Preventive Medicine Officer

Time in service: 19 years Hometown: Philadelphia

Family: Wife Patty, son Robert, and daughters Gillian

and Jocelyn

Hobbies: Competitive running and coaching youth

sports

Most embarrassing moment: While running a 10k race I made a wrong turn. I was at the front of the pack but ended up nearly last and had run 15k.

Favorite duty station: 5th Special Forces Group, Fort

Campbell, Ky.

Career Highlights: Receiving the Australian Army Com-

mendation Medal

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Camp Hope

Lance Cpl. Parrish Harvey and Cpl. Christopher Altivater guard the perimeter of the Marine base camp. 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, Battalion Landing Team 3/8, is serving as the security force while Camp Hope is being built in Fier, Albania. The camp will serve as a refugee camp for ethnic Albanians forced from thier homes. Camp Hope is the first camp built by the United States in support of NATO Operation Allied Force.



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